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REGIONAL RAILROAD ASSOCIATION

The Voice of America's Independent Railroads

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Surface Transportation Board
Office of the Secretary
Case Control Unit
1925 K. Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20423-0001

Re: STB Ex Parte No. 582 (Sub-No. 1) Oral Argument

Dear Secretary Williams:

The purpose of this letter (original and 25 copies) is to indicate the intent of the American Short Line and Regional Railroad Association (ASLRRA) to participate in oral argument to be held on April 5, 2001, in the above-captioned matter.

Pursuant to the Board's decision served on February 23, 2001, the following information is provided:

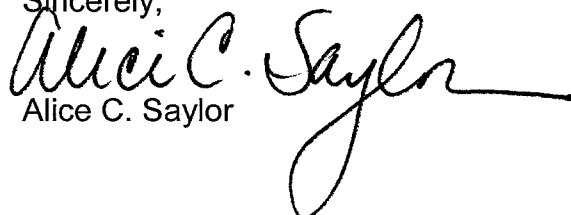
(1) Issues to be addressed: **On behalf of short line and regional railroads, request for specific minimum conditions in the proposed rules to enhance competition and protect essential services.**

(2) How much speaking time is required: **ASLRRA respectfully requests ten minutes of speaking time.**

(3) Full name and title of speaker: **Frank K. Turner, President, American Short Line and Regional Railroad Association.**

Please date stamp the extra copy of this letter to indicate receipt and return it to the messenger. Thank you.

Sincerely,


Alice C. Saylor

cc: All parties of record